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HIGHLIGHTS

OKLAHOMA'S OCTOBER JOBLESS RATE RISES TO 8.1 PERCENT, SLIGHTLY HIGHER THAN SEPTEMBER'S REVISED 7.9 RATE, BUT STILL BELOW THE 8.3 RATE IN AUGUST

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT EASED SLIGHTLY TO 1,400,800 DOWN FROM 1,402,500 IN SEPTEMBER.

CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT WERE NOT CONSIDERED TOO SIGNIFICANT AND PARTLY ATTRIBUTED TO HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODING THROUGHOUT THE STATE DURING OCTOBER.

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT WAS VIRTUALLY UNCHANGED BETWEEN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, BUT REMAINED SOME 14,000 BELOW A YEAR AGO.

OKLAHOMA LABOR FORCE*
SUMMARY TABLE

ITEM	NUMBER (In Thousands)			PERCENT CHANGE	ABSOLUTE CHANGE	
	Oct 1983p	Sep 1983r	Oct 1982r	Sep 1983 Oct 1983	Sep 1983 to Oct 1983	Oct 1982 to Oct 1983
Total Labor Force	**1,523.7**	**1,522.2**	**1,476.3**	**.1**	**1.5**	**47.4**
Unemployment	122.9	119.7	100.6	2.7	3.2	22.3
Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)	*8.1*	*7.9*	*6.8*	*xxx*	*xxx*	*xxx*
Unemployment Rate (Seas. Adj.)	*8.3*	*8.0*	*7.0*	*xxx*	*xxx*	*xxx*
Total Employment	1,400.8	1,402.5	1,375.7	-.1	-1.7	25.1
Agriculture	57.3	55.1	57.8	4.0	2.2	-.5
Domestic Service, Self-Employed & Unpaid Family Workers	195.0	194.1	191.9	.5	.9	3.1
Idled by Labor Disputes	.6	.7	.2	-14.3	-.1	.4

* *Data relates to the place-of-residence. Workers involved in labor-management disputes are included in employment total. Only unemployment and total employment data are adjusted according to Current Population Survey (CPS) procedures.* p-*Preliminary;* r-*Revised.*

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EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION

Total employment in the State of Oklahoma declined to 1,400,800 in October, 1,700 below the previous month. Nevertheless, this October's estimate surpassed the year-earlier level by 25,100 workers. Meanwhile, unemployment increased to 122,900, or 3,200 more than the month before and some 22,000 greater than a year ago. As a consequence of these changes, the unemployment rate edged up to 8.1 percent from 7.9 in September and 6.8 a year ago.

NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT*

in Oklahoma

OCTOBER 1983

ITEM	NUMBER (In Thousands)			PERCENT CHANGE	ABSOLUTE CHANGE	
	Oct 1983p	Sep 1983r	Oct 1982r	Sep 1983 to Oct 1983	Sep 1983 to Oct 1983	Oct 1982 to Oct 1983
Total Wage & Salary**	**1,208.0**	**1,208.6**	**1,221.9**	**0**	**-.6**	**-13.9**
Manufacturing	**172.4**	**171.4**	**174.1**	**.6**	**1.0**	**-1.7**
Durable Goods	**109.4**	**109.1**	**110.8**	**.3**	**.3**	**-1.4**
Lumber & Wood Products	2.9	3.0	3.2	-3.3	-.1	-.3
Stone, Clay & Glass	10.1	10.1	10.3	0	0	-.2
Primary Metal Industries	4.4	4.3	4.2	2.3	.1	.2
Fabricated Metal Products	18.6	18.6	21.2	0	0	-2.6
Fab. Structural Metal Products	10.2	10.2	12.3	0	0	-2.1
Machinery, except Electrical	33.8	33.7	35.6	.3	.1	-1.8
Oil Field Machinery	10.7	10.4	11.7	2.9	.3	-1.0
General Industrial Machinery	5.8	5.8	6.3	0	0	-.5
Electric & Electronic Equipment	13.3	13.0	11.7	2.3	.3	1.6
Transportation Equipment	19.7	19.9	17.2	-1.0	-.2	2.5
Aircraft & Parts	7.7	7.9	8.3	-2.5	-.2	-.6
Instruments & Related Products	3.0	3.0	3.4	0	0	-.4
Nondurable Goods	**63.0**	**62.3**	**63.3**	**1.1**	**.7**	**-.3**
Food & Kindred Products	15.1	14.8	15.5	2.0	.3	-.4
Apparel & Other Textile Products	10.0	9.8	9.4	2.0	.2	.6
Paper & Allied Products	3.1	3.1	3.2	0	0	-.1
Printing & Publishing	10.9	10.9	11.2	0	0	-.3
Newspapers & Periodicals	6.0	6.1	6.2	-1.6	-.1	-.2
Petroleum & Coal Products	7.9	7.7	8.0	2.6	.2	-.1
Petroleum Refining	7.2	7.0	7.2	2.9	.2	0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	11.4	11.5	11.2	-.9	-.1	.2
Tires & Inner Tubes	7.1	7.1	6.9	0	0	.2
Mining	**76.9**	**77.4**	**96.8**	**-.6**	**-.5**	**-19.9**
Oil & Gas Extraction	73.7	74.2	92.4	-.7	-.5	-18.7
Contract Construction	**51.2**	**52.8**	**57.4**	**-3.0**	**-1.6**	**-6.2**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**67.7**	**67.1**	**71.7**	**.9**	**.6**	**-4.0**
Transportation	35.7	35.0	38.3	2.0	.7	-2.6
Railroad Transportation	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	0	-.1
Trucking & Warehousing	18.6	18.0	20.9	3.3	.6	-2.3
Communications & Public Utilities	32.0	32.1	33.4	-.3	-.1	-1.4
Trade	**300.1**	**302.7**	**297.6**	**-.9**	**-2.6**	**2.5**
Wholesale	**79.6**	**80.2**	**79.8**	**-.7**	**-.6**	**-.2**
Retail	**220.5**	**222.5**	**217.8**	**-.9**	**-2.0**	**2.7**
General Merchandise Stores	31.5	30.5	30.9	3.3	1.0	.6
Food Stores	37.8	38.4	36.1	-1.6	-.6	1.7
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	24.9	25.3	25.5	-1.6	-.4	-.6
Apparel & Accessory Stores	14.6	14.7	15.6	-.7	-.1	-1.0
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	**63.9**	**64.1**	**62.4**	**-.3**	**-.2**	**1.5**
Banking	21.9	21.8	22.1	.5	.1	-.2
Insurance Carriers	9.1	9.1	9.2	0	0	-.1
Services	**227.8**	**231.6**	**220.6**	**-1.6**	**-3.8**	**7.2**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	11.1	11.5	11.4	-3.5	-.4	-.3
Personal Services	10.7	10.7	10.9	0	0	-.2
Health Services	70.0	70.8	70.5	-1.1	-.8	-.5
Government	**248.0**	**241.5**	**241.3**	**2.7**	**6.5**	**6.7**
Federal	49.9	49.6	49.1	.6	.3	.8
State & Local	198.1	191.9	192.2	3.2	6.2	5.9

p-Preliminary; r-Revised.

* *These data were prepared in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics and represent employment on a place-of-work basis. Industries are classified according to the* **Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1972.**

** *These estimates are adjusted to first quarter 1982 benchmark levels, and include all full and part-time employees of nonagricultural establishments who received pay for the period which includes the 12th of the month. Workers involved in labor-management disputes are excluded.*

NONFARM PAYROLL JOBS DIP MONTHLY, DOWN YEARLY

Nonfarm wage and salary employment totaled 1,208,000 in October, slightly below the preceding month. This minor decline could be partly attributed to heavy rains and flooding which occurred in a number of areas in the state. Employment was off in outside work activities such as construction, down by 1,600 workers. Mining, wholesale-retail trade, finance-insurance-real estate and services also showed decreases in October from September. These losses ranged from 500 in mining to 3,800 in services, but were partially negated by a 6,500 job increase in government, (mostly state and local), 1,000 more manufacturing jobs and 600 additions to transportation-public utilities.

Over the year, wage and salary employment was 13,900 lower than the October 1982 total. Mining was the most severely affected industry, with 19,900 fewer employed this year due to the sharp slump in oilfield exploration. Construction was another industry with a large job loss, 6,200, reflecting the effects of the recession coupled with high interest rates over the past year. Transportation-public utilities had 4,000 fewer employees employed but some of this related to temporary labor problems. Finally, manufacturing netted 1,700 farm workers mostly because of weakness in durable goods-producing industries. On the plus side, services expansion resulted in 7,200 more workers, while government gained 6,700 due to continued strength in the state and local sector. Finance-insurance-real estate also added 1,500 workers over the year.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Weekly wages in Oklahoma manufacturing plants averaged $382.54, or $2.88 more between September and October as the latest month's workweek rose to 41.4 hours or .4 of an hour longer than the comparable week in September. Both durable and nondurable goods sectors netted weekly earnings increases during this period.

Durables workers averaged $2.03 more weekly while their workweek extended .3 an hour, but hourly earnings eased two cents lower. Of the eight major durable goods industries included on the Hours and Earnings table in this publication, only three indicated significant changes. Those were stone-clay-glass, transportation equipment and instruments and related products. On that same table, nondurables industries showing larger changes were paper and allied products, printing-publishing and petroleum refining. The five published nonfactory industries are oil and gas extraction, construction, public utilities, wholesale trade and retail trade (excluding eating and drinking establishments). As shown on the Hours and Earnings table, changes for these were relatively small, for the most part.

Year-ago comparisons indicated that weekly earnings for factory workers in Oklahoma averaged 9.5 percent more this October than the comparable week last year. Oil and gas extraction, construction and retail workers surveyed showed decreases in weekly wages, while public utilities and wholesale trade had increases.

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT

Insured unemployment in Oklahoma totaled 22,632 during the week ending October 22, 1983, down slightly from the comparable week in September. There were also some 4,482 persons receiving federal supplemental benefits compared to 5,988 in September.

LABOR FORCE DATA

Total Employment and Unemployment

OCTOBER 1983

Area	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
				Current Month	Month Ago	Year Ago
UNITED STATES	102,659,000	9,383,000	112,042,000	8.4	8.8	9.9
OKLAHOMA	1,400,800	122,900	1,523,700	8.1	7.9	6.8
Oklahoma City SMSA*	451,100	29,900	481,000	6.2	5.9	5.0
Tulsa SMSA**	325,700	32,000	357,700	8.9	8.7	7.6
Lawton SMSA***	33,825	2,425	36,250	6.7	6.2	5.8
Enid SMSA****	29,850	2,275	32,125	7.1	6.8	6.6
Adair	6,380	770	7,150	10.8	10.3	8.6
Alfalfa	3,190	150	3,340	4.5	3.7	4.1
Atoka	3,800	530	4,330	12.2	11.5	11.3
Beaver	3,510	110	3,620	3.0	3.3	3.0
Beckham	13,500	1,610	15,110	10.7	10.8	6.2
Blaine	5,940	550	6,490	8.5	8.2	6.0
Bryan	12,390	1,340	13,730	9.8	9.7	6.5
Caddo	12,420	1,380	13,800	10.0	10.3	7.9
Canadian	30,525	1,625	32,150	5.1	5.3	6.0
Carter	18,925	1,975	20,900	9.4	9.2	6.9
Cherokee	13,520	1,450	14,970	9.7	8.9	8.5
Choctaw	5,370	870	6,240	13.9	13.2	12.1
Cimarron	1,630	70	1,700	4.1	3.5	2.9
Cleveland	72,025	4,050	76,075	5.3	5.2	4.5
Coal	1,680	320	2,000	16.0	16.0	14.9
Comanche	33,825	2,425	36,250	6.7	6.2	5.8
Cotton	2,520	110	2,630	4.2	4.9	5.1
Craig	6,600	520	7,120	7.3	6.9	7.2
Creek	27,875	3,300	31,175	10.6	10.0	8.5
Custer	15,930	1,280	17,210	7.4	7.7	4.8
Delaware	9,500	900	10,400	8.7	8.4	9.3
Dewey	3,540	280	3,820	7.3	7.2	6.9
Ellis	2,600	190	2,790	6.8	7.3	6.7
Garfield	29,850	2,275	32,125	7.1	6.8	6.6
Garvin	12,170	1,180	13,350	8.8	8.9	6.9
Grady	18,090	1,990	20,080	9.9	9.8	8.7
Grant	3,130	150	3,280	4.6	4.3	4.0
Greer	2,810	260	3,070	8.5	7.8	4.6
Harmon	1,770	100	1,870	5.3	5.8	5.6
Harper	1,850	140	1,990	7.0	7.8	6.3
Haskell	4,800	710	5,510	12.9	12.5	11.9
Hughes	5,250	950	6,200	15.3	15.7	13.3
Jackson	9,990	770	10,760	7.2	6.5	5.3
Jefferson	3,420	320	3,740	8.6	8.5	9.0
Johnston	3,490	370	3,860	9.6	9.6	8.7
Kay	22,900	2,175	25,075	8.7	8.8	6.6
Kingfisher	9,340	550	9,890	5.6	5.1	4.2
Kiowa	5,760	430	6,190	6.9	6.8	5.6

LABOR FORCE DATA

Total Employment and Unemployment

OCTOBER 1983

Area	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
				Current Month	Month Ago	Year Ago
Latimer	2,940	590	3,530	16.7	18.0	16.1
LeFlore	14,820	1,720	16,540	10.4	10.2	10.8
Lincoln	9,520	1,070	10,590	10.1	10.5	9.5
Logan	9,350	1,090	10,440	10.4	10.9	7.4
Love	2,220	280	2,500	11.2	11.2	13.3
McClain	10,980	670	11,650	5.8	5.5	5.3
McCurtain	13,580	1,600	15,180	10.5	10.9	10.8
McIntosh	5,800	680	6,480	10.5	9.8	8.3
Major	4,730	300	5,030	6.0	5.8	5.7
Marshall	4,120	360	4,480	8.0	7.6	5.5
Mayes	15,240	1,610	16,850	9.6	8.6	8.0
Murray	5,010	590	5,600	10.5	10.9	8.9
Muskogee	25,375	3,000	28,375	10.6	9.9	8.8
Noble	5,000	370	5,370	6.9	6.7	5.6
Nowata	4,830	650	5,480	11.9	11.3	13.5
Okfuskee	3,820	500	4,320	11.6	11.1	9.9
Oklahoma	307,725	21,400	329,125	6.5	6.2	4.9
Okmulgee	11,875	1,925	13,800	13.9	13.2	11.9
Osage	18,575	1,300	19,875	6.5	6.7	5.3
Ottawa	11,750	1,225	12,975	9.4	9.1	10.0
Pawnee	5,630	760	6,390	11.9	12.0	11.0
Payne	28,925	1,800	30,725	5.9	6.0	5.3
Pittsburg	12,675	1,900	14,575	13.0	12.7	12.5
Pontotoc	14,610	1,240	15,850	7.8	7.5	6.7
Pottawatomie	29,875	2,175	32,050	6.8	6.0	5.9
Pushmataha	2,610	490	3,100	15.8	16.1	16.0
Roger Mills	2,840	270	3,110	8.7	9.0	4.3
Rogers	21,940	2,310	24,250	9.5	9.0	8.0
Seminole	10,750	1,350	12,100	11.2	11.1	9.9
Sequoyah	11,200	1,090	12,290	8.9	9.3	10.1
Stephens	20,280	2,010	22,290	9.0	9.1	8.0
Texas	8,110	340	8,450	4.0	4.1	3.6
Tillman	4,230	520	4,750	10.9	11.6	6.2
Tulsa	222,300	21,975	244,275	9.0	8.9	7.8
Wagoner	19,750	1,450	21,200	6.8	6.3	6.4
Washington	24,920	1,520	26,440	5.7	5.2	4.5
Washita	7,600	870	8,470	10.3	11.1	6.4
Woods	5,610	270	5,880	4.6	4.2	3.7
Woodward	17,830	1,480	19,310	7.7	7.3	6.1

Note: Data shown in this table are preliminary figures.
Components may not add to totals due to rounding.

* *Oklahoma City SMSA includes Oklahoma, Canadian, Cleveland, McClain and Pottawatomie Counties.*

** *Tulsa SMSA includes Tulsa, Creek, Mayes, Osage, Rogers and Wagoner Counties.*

*** *Lawton SMSA includes Comanche County only.*

**** *Enid SMSA includes Garfield County only.*

HOURS AND EARNINGS
IN SELECTED OKLAHOMA INDUSTRIES
1982 - 1983

YEAR AND MONTH	Average Weekly Earnings	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings
	MANUFACTURING			DURABLE GOODS			STONE, CLAY & GLASS		
1982									
October	$349.48	39.4	$8.87	$362.46	39.7	$9.13	$402.66	41.9	$9.61
November	348.06	39.6	8.79	353.73	39.7	8.91	384.98	40.1	9.60
December	357.01	39.8	8.97	366.28	39.9	9.18	403.79	41.8	9.66
1983									
January	360.10	40.1	8.98	365.20	40.0	9.13	412.68	42.5	9.71
February	356.51	39.7	8.98	364.45	39.7	9.18	381.60	39.3	9.71
March	356.90	39.7	8.99	364.45	39.7	9.18	409.28	41.3	9.91
April	360.59	39.8	9.06	365.48	39.9	9.16	425.29	42.7	9.96
May	361.89	39.9	9.07	372.93	40.1	9.30	405.90	41.0	9.90
June	370.58	40.5	9.15	384.74	40.8	9.43	450.26	43.8	10.28
July	376.18	40.8	9.22	384.48	40.6	9.47	452.57	44.5	10.17
August	364.57	39.8	9.16	369.03	39.3	9.39	436.99	42.8	10.21
September r	379.66	41.0	9.26	394.00	41.3	9.54	439.78	43.2	10.18
October p	382.54	41.4	9.24	396.03	41.6	9.52	423.30	42.5	9.96
1982	PRIMARY METALS			FABRICATED METALS			FABRICATED STRUCTURAL METALS		
October	$368.02	39.7	$9.27	$386.16	40.1	$9.63	$357.10	38.9	$9.18
November	363.41	40.2	9.04	356.18	38.8	9.18	364.17	39.8	9.15
December	359.07	40.3	8.91	362.55	38.9	9.32	365.77	39.5	9.26
1983									
January	357.59	39.6	9.03	350.35	38.5	9.10	360.76	39.6	9.11
February	361.78	39.8	9.09	358.02	39.3	9.11	378.84	41.0	9.24
March	364.57	39.8	9.16	343.93	38.6	8.91	355.11	39.5	8.99
April	374.74	41.0	9.14	340.22	38.4	8.86	346.10	38.8	8.92
May	385.90	42.5	9.08	360.80	40.0	9.02	360.50	40.1	8.99
June	389.48	42.8	9.10	353.73	39.7	8.91	379.45	41.2	9.21
July	389.00	42.7	9.11	364.49	41.0	8.89	384.38	41.6	9.24
August	394.70	41.9	9.42	363.53	40.8	8.91	378.22	41.2	9.18
September r	406.35	43.0	9.45	373.68	41.2	9.07	393.90	42.4	9.29
October p	410.05	43.3	9.47	389.65	40.8	9.06	390.09	41.9	9.31
1982	MACHINERY EXCEPT ELECTRICAL			OIL FIELD MACHINERY			ELECTRIC & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
October	$307.69	37.8	$8.14	$337.95	38.8	$8.71	$375.65	41.1	$9.14
November	319.02	39.0	8.18	343.96	39.0	8.82	394.40	42.5	9.28
December	320.97	39.0	8.23	347.70	39.2	8.87	403.09	42.7	9.44
1983									
January	329.51	39.7	8.30	357.80	39.8	8.99	397.11	42.7	9.30
February	329.38	39.4	8.36	359.57	39.6	9.08	394.83	42.5	9.29
March	332.99	39.5	8.43	373.58	40.3	9.27	388.24	42.2	9.20
April	330.91	39.3	8.42	367.32	40.1	9.16	390.15	42.5	9.18
May	335.07	39.7	8.44	372.80	40.0	9.32	391.85	42.5	9.22
June	337.64	40.1	8.42	373.18	39.7	9.40	409.15	43.9	9.32
July	332.21	38.9	8.54	372.09	39.5	9.42	398.68	43.1	9.25
August	327.28	38.1	8.59	377.85	39.9	9.47	416.70	45.0	9.26
September r	346.58	40.3	8.60	386.80	40.0	9.67	417.57	44.9	9.30
October p	352.46	40.7	8.66	403.51	40.8	9.89	407.25	45.2	9.01
1982	TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT			NONDURABLE GOODS			FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS		
October	$447.52	40.1	$11.16	$327.15	38.9	$8.41	$333.73	41.1	$8.12
November	425.32	40.2	10.58	338.91	39.5	8.58	338.66	41.0	8.26
December	459.60	40.0	11.49	340.16	39.6	8.59	327.59	41.0	7.99
1983									
January	448.72	39.5	11.36	350.14	40.2	8.71	353.21	42.3	8.35
February	454.72	39.2	11.60	342.14	39.6	8.64	325.92	41.1	7.93
March	452.37	39.2	11.54	342.54	39.6	8.65	335.58	42.0	7.99
April	441.54	38.8	11.38	351.16	39.5	8.89	334.94	40.5	8.27
May	449.31	38.7	11.61	343.80	39.7	8.66	320.60	43.5	7.37
June	471.64	39.6	11.91	345.20	40.0	8.63	316.83	42.7	7.42
July	463.24	38.7	11.97	361.74	41.2	8.78	323.25	44.1	7.33
August	398.29	34.1	11.68	356.13	40.7	8.75	312.36	41.1	7.60
September r	482.00	40.0	12.05	351.42	40.3	8.72	318.24	41.6	7.65
October p	502.62	41.3	12.17	357.06	40.9	8.73	311.17	41.6	7.48

See footnotes at end of table.

HOURS AND EARNINGS
IN SELECTED OKLAHOMA INDUSTRIES
1982 - 1983

MANUFACTURING

YEAR AND MONTH	Average Weekly Earnings	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings
	APPAREL & OTHER TEXTILES			PRINTING & PUBLISHING			NEWSPAPERS & PERIODICALS		
1982									
October	$166.06	36.1	$4.60	$330.46	39.2	$8.43	$345.86	39.8	$8.69
November	174.10	37.2	4.68	342.10	40.2	8.51	343.87	39.8	8.64
December	176.15	37.8	4.66	349.92	40.5	8.64	361.20	40.0	9.03
1983									
January	178.42	37.8	4.72	357.24	39.3	9.09	364.55	38.7	9.42
February	174.38	37.5	4.65	357.01	39.8	8.97	346.14	37.3	9.28
March	175.68	37.7	4.66	348.98	39.3	8.88	356.90	38.5	9.27
April	179.89	37.4	4.81	344.93	38.8	8.89	359.84	38.2	9.42
May	174.74	37.1	4.71	339.34	38.3	8.86	359.98	38.5	9.35
June	177.38	37.5	4.73	353.34	39.0	9.06	368.83	38.5	9.58
July	174.10	37.2	4.68	356.80	39.6	9.01	369.72	39.0	9.48
August	181.54	37.9	4.79	356.69	39.5	9.03	379.29	39.8	9.53
September r	175.50	37.5	4.68	352.43	38.9	9.06	365.74	39.2	9.33
October p	175.56	38.0	4.62	379.76	40.4	9.40	422.03	42.5	9.93

NONMANUFACTURING

	PETROLEUM REFINING			CONSTRUCTION			OIL & GAS EXTRACTION		
1982									
October	$478.37	39.6	$12.08	$445.41	38.2	$11.66	$449.43	42.6	$10.55
November	521.51	39.3	13.27	420.48	36.5	11.52	438.56	42.8	10.20
December	505.72	40.2	12.58	436.73	37.2	11.74	448.73	42.9	10.46
1983									
January	515.53	42.5	12.13	437.16	37.3	11.72	454.40	43.4	10.47
February	506.21	40.4	12.53	423.00	36.0	11.75	442.81	41.5	10.67
March	511.34	39.7	12.88	434.31	36.9	11.77	440.96	42.4	10.40
April	507.85	39.8	12.76	415.35	35.5	11.70	416.30	40.3	10.33
May	524.12	41.4	12.66	409.25	34.8	11.76	425.99	41.0	10.39
June	507.87	40.5	12.54	442.26	37.8	11.70	430.50	42.0	10.25
July	580.11	44.9	12.92	430.07	37.3	11.53	421.26	41.3	10.20
August	526.24	44.0	11.96	425.63	37.6	11.32	414.50	40.4	10.26
September r	549.94	45.6	12.06	427.92	36.7	11.66	423.53	41.0	10.33
October p	528.80	44.7	11.83	423.96	36.9	11.49	434.25	41.2	10.54

	PUBLIC UTILITIES			WHOLESALE TRADE			RETAIL TRADE*		
1982									
October	$409.20	40.0	$10.23	$349.06	40.4	$8.64	$216.78	34.3	$6.32
November	408.80	40.0	10.22	348.09	41.0	8.49	222.60	35.0	6.36
December	421.83	40.6	10.39	350.14	41.0	8.54	228.15	36.1	6.32
1983									
January	421.22	39.7	10.61	345.82	40.4	8.56	225.44	33.9	6.65
February	418.84	39.7	10.55	340.54	40.3	8.45	217.85	34.2	6.37
March	418.18	39.6	10.56	345.87	40.5	8.54	224.55	34.6	6.49
April	415.66	39.7	10.47	353.23	39.6	8.92	213.23	33.9	6.29
May	426.66	39.8	10.72	352.00	40.0	8.80	214.80	33.2	6.47
June	430.92	40.5	10.64	356.17	40.2	8.86	222.26	34.3	6.48
July	432.39	40.6	10.65	358.09	40.1	8.93	226.15	34.9	6.48
August	462.58	40.9	11.31	357.62	40.5	8.83	221.34	34.0	6.51
September r	448.13	41.0	10.93	361.09	40.3	8.96	217.12	33.3	6.52
October p	449.85	40.6	11.08	364.97	39.8	9.17	215.16	33.0	6.52

Note: *Averages are for production or nonsupervisory workers only and cover both full and part-time employees. Overtime hours and pay are included and changes in the amount of overtime may affect these data. There are approximately 124,700 production workers in manufacturing. These data revised to a 1982 benchmark.*

Above industries have been classified according to the **Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual, 1972.**

p-Preliminary; r-Revised. **Excludes eating and drinking establishments.*

Source: Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Research and Planning.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

1967 = 100

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS			URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS			
ANNUAL AVERAGES AND CHANGES 1979 - 1982*							
Year	Index		Percent Change From Previous Year	Index		Percent Change From Previous Year	
1979	217.4		13.3	217.7		11.5	
1980	246.8		12.4	247.0		13.5	
1981	272.4		8.9	272.3		10.2	
1982	289.1		3.9	288.6		3.9	
MONTH AND YEAR-AGO CHANGES							
Year	Oct Index	Sep Index	% Change Month Ago	% Change Year Ago	Oct Index	Sep Index	% Change Month Ago	% Change Year Ago
1983	302.6	301.8	.3	2.9	301.4	301.3	**	2.8

* *Annual changes are from December to December, not seasonally adjusted.*

** *Change less than one-tenth of one percent.*

COMPARISONS OF UNEMPLOYMENT RATES*

United States and Oklahoma

1980 - 1983

MONTH	1980				1981				1982				1983				MONTH
	RATE ANADJ.		SEAS. ADJ.		RATE ANADJ.		SEAS. ADJ.		RATE ANADJ.		SEAS. ADJ.		RATE ANADJ.		SEAS. ADJ.		
	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	
Jan.	6.8	4.3	6.2	3.9	8.2	4.4	7.5	4.1	9.4	4.7	8.6	4.2	11.4	7.9	10.4	7.1	Jan.
Feb.	6.8	4.3	6.2	3.9	8.0	4.0	7.4	3.7	9.6	4.5	8.8	4.3	11.3	8.9	10.4	8.5	Feb.
Mar.	6.6	4.3	6.3	4.4	7.7	3.6	7.3	3.6	9.5	4.4	9.0	4.5	10.8	8.8	10.3	9.1	Mar.
Apr.	6.6	5.0	6.9	5.0	7.0	3.4	7.2	3.4	9.2	4.6	9.3	4.7	10.0	8.3	10.2	8.5	Apr.
May	7.0	5.9	7.6	6.1	7.1	3.3	7.5	3.5	9.1	4.9	9.4	5.1	9.8	8.8	10.1	9.3	May
June	7.8	5.5	7.5	5.0	7.7	3.5	7.4	3.2	9.8	5.5	9.5	5.3	10.2	9.2	10.0	8.9	June
July	7.9	5.4	7.6	5.1	7.3	3.4	7.2	3.2	9.8	6.0	9.8	5.8	9.4	8.8	9.5	8.5	July
Aug.	7.5	5.0	7.6	5.2	7.2	3.1	7.4	3.3	9.6	6.0	9.9	6.2	9.2	8.3	9.5	8.7	Aug.
Sept.	7.1	4.7	7.4	5.1	7.3	3.3	7.6	3.6	9.7	6.5	10.2	6.6	8.8	7.5	9.3	7.7	Sept.
Oct.	7.1	4.6	7.6	5.0	7.5	3.6	8.0	3.8	9.9	6.8	10.5	7.0	8.4	8.1	8.8	8.3	Oct.
Nov.	7.1	4.5	7.5	4.8	7.9	3.8	8.3	4.0	10.4	7.1	10.7	7.1					Nov.
Dec.	6.9	4.2	7.4	4.5	8.3	3.7	8.6	4.0	10.5	6.8	10.8	7.0					Dec.
ANNUAL AVERAGE	7.0	4.8	—	—	7.5	3.6	—	—	9.5	5.7	—	—					ANNUAL AVERAGE

* *Based on percent of Civilian Labor Force. Seasonally adjusted series for U.S. and Oklahoma are revised. U.S. unemployment rate based on percent of Civilian Labor Force.*

Note: The rates shown for Oklahoma are revised to a 1982 Current Population Survey (CPS) Benchmark, as established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Research and Planning.

AREA SUMMARY

OKLAHOMA CITY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)

Oklahoma City Area employment for October dropped to 451,100, off 1,100 from September. Over the annual span, total employment gained 15,100 from the October 1982 estimate. Unemployment climbed 1,300 monthly to 29,900 and stood 7,000 higher than a year ago. October's jobless rate was 6.2 percent compared to 5.7 in September and 5.0 percent a year earlier.

Nonagricultural employment was off 1,400 from September with losses of 1,100 each in trade and services plus a 1,000 drop in construction contributing to the overall setback. On the upside, gains ranged from 100 to 1,000 jobs in four industries. Over the year, wage and salary employment increased by 7,300 jobs as manufacturing paced the upturn with 3,900 more workers, followed by service, 3,200 and trade, 2,800. Mining recorded the only significant loss as 2,600 fewer workers were on area payrolls.

TULSA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)

Tulsa Metropolitan Area employment slipped to 325,700, off 900 from September, but this latest estimate still surpassed the year-ago level by 900. Unemployment rose to 32,000, up 800 over the month and, at this level, stood 5,100 higher than a year ago. As a result of these changes, the unemployment rate edged up to 8.9 percent from 8.7 in September and 7.6 percent during October 1982.

Nonfarm wage and salary employment dropped to 313,400, down 800 from September and 5,100 below the year-earlier total. Over the month, small losses were scattered in five of the eight major industries; namely, mining, construction, transportation-public utilities, trade and government. Over the year, losses in manufacturing and mining accounted for the year-to-year downturn.

ENID METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)

Employment in the Enid Area eased to 29,850 in October, off 50 from September. Nevertheless, this latest estimate topped the year-ago total by 1,100 workers. Unemployment climbed to 2,275, up 100 over the month and 250 ahead of a year earlier. Jobless rates were 7.1 percent, 6.8 in September and 6.6 percent a year ago.

Nonfarm wage and salary employment slipped to 28,200 in October, off 100 from September , but 575 greater than the October 1982 total. Over the month, small losses in four major industries and a minor increase in another was responsible for the monthly change. Year-ago comparisons showed the net gain of 575 jobs resulted primarily from gains in trade, service and construction.

LAWTON METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)

Total employment in the Lawton Area totaled 33,825, up 275 from September and 900 more than the October 1982 total. Unemployment at 2,425 was 200 more monthly and 400 greater than a year ago. October's jobless rate rose to 6.7 percent from 6.2 in September and 5.8 percent a year earlier.

Nonagricultural employment reached 31,000, up 300 monthly and 250 yearly. In the short term, a 675 job increase in government outweighed losses in four other industries and was responsible for the net gain. Over the longer term, a 125 increase in finance-insurance-real estate offset a like loss in government, while gains of 25 to 75 occurred in five other industry divisions.

BALANCE OF STATE

Unemployment rates increased in 47 Oklahoma counties between September and October, while rates were unchanged in the remaining three. Rates in 45 counties exceeded the national rate of 8.4 percent. As previously reported, unemployment was up in the state's two largest metropolitan areas - Oklahoma City and Tulsa.